

Store Open Every Night Until Christmas.

179 Dundas St. **THOMSON'S** Next to Boomer's
LADIES' AND CHILDREN'S FURNISHING STORE

Every day finds this store in better shape for the increasing trade, and this week we have put forth every effort to assist the Christmas shoppers and gift-seekers in making their selection with as little delay and trouble as possible. Shop in the morning when possible. Our store will be open every night this week. Comparison is the only true test of value. We court it on every line we sell.

Fancy Collars in Boxes

Hundreds of Ladies' Pretty Collars, no two alike, selling at **15c, 29c, 50c** and up to **\$2**, worth just about double the price.

Ladies' Belts

See our collection of Fancy Belts at **25c, 35c, 50c** up to **\$1.50**.

Furs at Cut Prices

Muffs, Stoles and Ruffs. A piece of fur is always acceptable. Save money and buy here.

Special Lines Suitable for Gifts

Umbrellas, Parasols, Handkerchiefs, Dainty and cheap. Kid Gloves, Fancy Collars, Plain Linen Hem-stitched Handkerchiefs for ladies' and gentlemen at **25c**. Dainty Corset Covers, lace trimmed, Kimonos, Panama and Voile Skirts, Perfume in bottles from **25c** to **\$3.00**. Fancy Stockings.

Ladies' and Children's Long Coats cut to about One-Half the original price. Christmas shopping made easy and profitable at this store.

J. M. THOMSON

NEXT TO BOOMER'S. 179 DUNDAS STREET

Gifts for the Children

Little Girls' White Mother Hubbard Dresses, very good quality white cotton, yoke of embroidery insertion, Bertha of fine embroidery, trimmed with lace edging. Our special at each **75c**
Infants' White Mother Hubbard Dresses, yoke of pin tucking, neck and sleeves trimmed with lace, bottom of skirt trimmed with tucks, embroidered. A great bargain at **50c**

Tea Aprons for Gifts

In colors and white, nicely trimmed, at **35c, 45c, 90c** and **\$1.00**.

Net Waists

Smart New Net Waists, in a variety of styles, from **\$2.50** to **\$3.50**. All sizes. Ladies' White Lawn and Embroidered Waists at cut prices, fine sheer lawn, good styles, Regular **\$1.25** for **\$1.00**, and **\$1.75** and **\$2.00** cut to **\$1.50**.

**SUPERINTENDENT FOR
HYGIENIC INSTITUTE**

And School For Medical Health
Officers To Be Opened
Here.

It is expected that a superintendent for the Hygienic Institute will be named shortly. It is understood that the Provincial Government has in hand a scheme to utilize the institute as a department of public health, where medical health officers and the like will be trained, and where pathological cultures can be made.

It is supposed that he will act in a dual capacity in connection with an institution in London.

It could not be learned who will be given the place, but it is practically certain that an announcement will be made some time after the new year.

**CONTRACTOR SUES
LOCAL MOTORMAN**

Said That He Was Assaulted Without
Furnishing Provocation.

W. J. McLeod, an East London contractor, has commenced an action for damages for assault and battery, against Alex. Fitzsimmons, a street railway motorman, who, he claims, struck him without provocation of any kind, on Tuesday last. The plaintiff alleges that Fitzsimmons emulated his more famous namesake, and that to a rest he is still unable to attend to his duties. The action has been entered in the county court, the next session of which is held in June, 1911. Blackburn & Weekes are acting for the plaintiff.

MUST HAVE BELLS

Police Instructed to See That All
Sleighs Carry Them.

The police have received instructions to rigidly prosecute all citizens who drive about without sleigh bells attached to either their horses or rigs, yesterday morning. George Slater, of 631 Central avenue, appeared in court yesterday before Acting Magistrate Beattie. He was given a warning and allowed to go. "We will prosecute all people we find breaking the bylaw by driving without bells," said Chief Williams to The Advertiser today. "It is a very dangerous practice, as many drivers with fast horses are liable to run down women, or other people who walk on the roads. There have been many close calls."

"BOOKS AS TOOLS"

A Very Interesting Talk in Colborne
Street School.

A very interesting talk was given on "Books as Tools" in the room of the Colborne street school, yesterday morning. The lesson was given by Miss Baxter, of the public library staff.

This is a practical age, when we value things largely according to their usefulness. Books of a certain class are valued, not because we have affection for them, not because we expect to read them from cover to cover, but because they are useful. Like tools they are instruments of great service. Also like tools, few use them with natural aptitude, many having to be taught their name and use.

The most progressive libraries in Great Britain and the United States furnish occasional talks on the use of books to pupils in the schools; the school and library authorities believing that it is desirable for people not only to acquire knowledge, but to be able to find any information that may be required on a given subject, thus encouraging pupils to help themselves.

Inspector Edwards and Librarian Carson, thinking that the experiment was worth trying, arranged for the first attempt at a lesson on the use of books. Mr. Carson showed great interest in the subject of reference books, and no doubt will use to better advantage their own books and these in the new reference department of the public library.

**POLICE IN UNIFORM
MUST GO "DRY"**

Sergt. Birrell Has Been Busy Serving
Notices on Hotelmen.

Policemen in uniform will no longer be allowed to take a drink in hotels. Monday and today Sergt. Birrell has been busy serving notices on all hotelkeepers, that hereafter no policeman in uniform must be served with liquor.

This has been adhered to fairly well for some time, but of late there have been some complaints, and Chief Williams has issued peremptory orders that henceforth no policeman in uniform can be served with liquor.

HALF RATE ACCEPTED

Cheaper Cable Rates Will Likely Be
Secured in Near Future.

Mr. David Adams, manager of the G. N. W. Telegraph Company, has received word that Mr. Edward J. Hall, chairman of the executive committee of the Western Union Telegraph Company, who has been in London, England, has secured the signature of the British postmaster-general to an agreement accepting the half-rate proposal for deferred messages in plain language. Mr. Hall will sail for America today. It will be some time before the reform is put into effect, as the British postal authorities have to obtain the consent of other cable companies and several European governments.

**FRANK FLANNAGAN
COMMITTED FOR TRIAL**

Charged With Stealing Oats From
Walter Day, of London
Township.

Frank Flannagan, the north end man, who is charged by Walter Day, of London Township, with stealing several bags of oats from Day's premises, was committed for trial at the June county court sessions by Squire Chittick Monday afternoon, and was allowed out on \$800 bail, half of which was his own.

The evidence of County Constables Arthur Corsaut and Alex. Shaver, who made the arrest, and the complainant, Walter Day, was heard. Day claimed

Special Christmas Offering of Suits and Overcoats at \$8, \$10 and \$15

Never before in all our history have we entered the Christmas gift-buying season so magnificently and thoroughly prepared to supply every masculine need, want or desire, and are now offering for the selection of your Christmas Suit or Overcoat exceptional values. Hundreds of winter models in Suits and Overcoats, in all fabrics, weaves, patterns and colorings are here and every line reduced to make the last three days the greatest ever.

Men's \$10.00 and \$12.50 Overcoats	Men's \$18.00 and \$22.00 Overcoats,	Men's \$14.00 and \$16.50 Overcoats,
\$8.00	\$15.00	\$10.00
Our usual \$8.00 and \$10.00 Suits at	Our usual \$12.00 and \$15.00 Suits at	Our usual \$16.00 and \$18.00 Suits at
\$6.75	\$10.00	\$12.50
		Our usual \$20.00 and \$22.00 Suits at
		\$15.00
		Our usual \$23.00 and \$25.00 Suits at
		\$18.00

OUR JUVENILE DEPARTMENT includes everything in the newest and choicest showing of Boys' and Children's Suits, Overcoats and Reefers, in all sizes from two years to fifteen years.

Overcoats and Suits, \$3.50 to \$4.00, for	Overcoats and Suits, \$4.50 to \$5.00, for	Overcoats and Suits, \$5.50 to \$6.50, for	Overcoats and Suits, \$7.00 to \$9.00, for	Overcoats and Suits, \$10.00 to \$12.00, for
\$2.95	\$3.75	\$4.75	\$5.95	\$7.75

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Daily Until After Christmas

Our facilities for promptly serving our customers are the best.

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GREYS AT TORONTO. Lord Lascelles, arrived in Toronto today for a short visit. They will be the Governor-General and party, guests of Lieutenant-Governor Gibson which included Lady Evelyn Grey and

that he was able to recognize the grain discovered on the prisoner's morning seriously injured by the falling of a heavy timber.

RECEPTION TO MRS. ROLLINS
Function in Her Honor Held at First Presbyterian Manse.

At the First Presbyterian manse on Saturday evening Mrs. (Rev.) J. Gibson Jukster held an informal reception in honor of Mrs. (Rev.) James Rollins prior to her departure from the city. During the evening a presentation was made to Mrs. Rollins by Mrs. Thompson on behalf of the executive of the Women's Missionary Society, of a cutlery cabinet, containing full sets of silver knives and forks. The London Women's Home Missionary Society Presbyterian also presented Mrs. Rollins with a life membership certificate. The presentation was made by Mrs. J. M. McEvoy.

MR. KNIGHT TAKES OVER
FARMERS' BANK AFFAIRS
Toronto, Dec. 20.—Mr. John Knight, secretary of the Canadian Bankers' Association, arrived in Toronto this morning and took charge of the affairs of the Farmers Bank of Canada, which suspended payment yesterday.

THE COTTON CENSUS.
Washington, Dec. 20.—The census bureau's report on cotton spinning this morning shows 10,698,482 bales (counting round as half bales), were spun from the growth of 1910 to Dec. 13, compared with 9,358,685 for 1909, 11,904,229 for 1908, and 9,254,070 for 1907. The percentage of the last three crops spun to Dec. 13 was 82.9 for 1909, 91.0 for 1908, and 84.0 for 1907.

FOUR COUPLES
IN ONE WEEK
Rev. Richard Whiting Has Been Busy
Marrying Late.

The Christmas season seems to have given an impetus to matrimony, Rev. R. Whiting marrying no less than four couples during the past week at the parsonage.

On Dec. 14 he married Robert Patterson and Miss Margaret Tudhope Bell, of this city. On Dec. 17 he united Herbert Winder and Miss Odile Ethelwyn Cullen, of Mount Brydges. On the same day Mr. Whiting tied the nuptial knot for John Krause, and Miss Mamie White, of St. Thomas, and on Monday he united William Smith and Miss Loretta May Vollek, of Hay Township.

**GENERAL OTTER
INSPECTS BARRACKS**

Director-General of Medical Service
Also in the City.

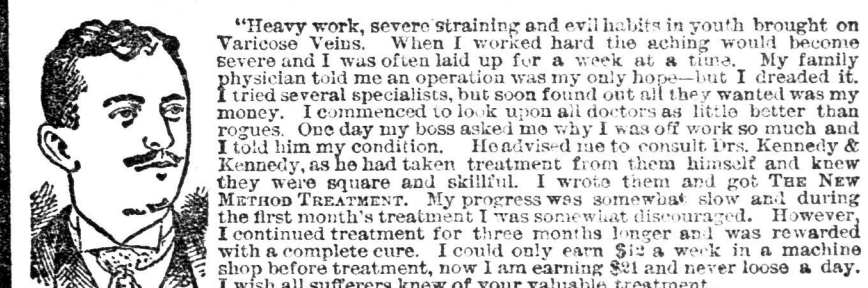
General Otter, inspector-general of the Canadian militia, made his annual inspection of Wolseley Barracks forces Monday afternoon, and looked over the Armories today. Col. Jones, of Ottawa, director-general of the medical service, was also in the city, and yesterday made an official inspection of the medical detachment at Wolseley Barracks. He was accompanied by Lieut.-Col. Grant, chief of the Western Ontario medical service.

HIT BY THIMBLE.
Belleville, Ont., Dec. 20.—A carpenter named Sheeley, employed on the

Got a Cold?
Stop it; 25c. "Weeks' Break-Up-a-Cold Tablets." At Anderson & Nelles.

VARICOSE VEINS CURED

NO NAMES USED WITHOUT WRITTEN CONSENT.
Confined to His Home for Weeks.



HAS YOUR BLOOD BEEN DISEASED?
BLOOD POISONS are the most prevalent and most serious diseases. They sap the very life blood of the victim and unless entirely eradicated from the system will cause serious complications. Beware of Mercury. It may suppress the symptoms—our NEW METHOD cures all blood diseases.

YOUNG OR MIDDLE AGED MEN.—Impure food or later excesses have broken down your system. You feel the symptoms stealing over you. Mentally, physically and vitally you are not the man you used to be or should be. Will you heed the danger signals?

READER Are you a victim? Have you lost hope? Are you intending to hurry? Has your blood been diseased? Have you any weakness? Our NEW METHOD TREATMENT will cure you. What it has done for others it will do for you. Consultation Free. No matter how long you have been afflicted, write for an honest opinion Free of Charge. Books Free—"Boys'hood, Manhood, Fatherhood." (Illustrated) on Diseases of Men.

NO NAMES USED WITHOUT WRITTEN CONSENT. PRIVATE. No names on boxes or envelopes. Everything Confidential. Question List and Cost of Treatment FREE FOR HOME TREATMENT.

DRS. KENNEDY & KENNEDY
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Does Not Strain the Eyes

Don't use a small, concentrated light over one shoulder. It puts an unequal strain on your eyes. Use a diffused, soft, mellow light that cannot flicker, that equalizes the work of the eyes, such as the Rayo Lamp gives, and avoid eye strain.

The Rayo is designed to give the best light, and it does.

It has a strong, durable shade-holder that is held firm and true. A new burner gives added strength. Made of solid brass and finished in nickel. Easy to keep polished. The Rayo is low priced, but no other lamp gives a better light at any price.

Once a Rayo User, Always One. Dealers Everywhere. If not at yours, write for descriptive circular to the nearest agent of the

The Queen City Oil Company Limited.

MOLDERS BURNED.
Belleville, Ont., Dec. 20.—P. J. Conway, J. Connell, R. Muir, A. Draycott and H. Davidson, employed in the

burned about the body by the blowing out of the cupola, which contained a large quantity of molten metal. Fortunately none of the men were seriously injured by the metal, which flew in foundry in this city, were today all directions about the shop.